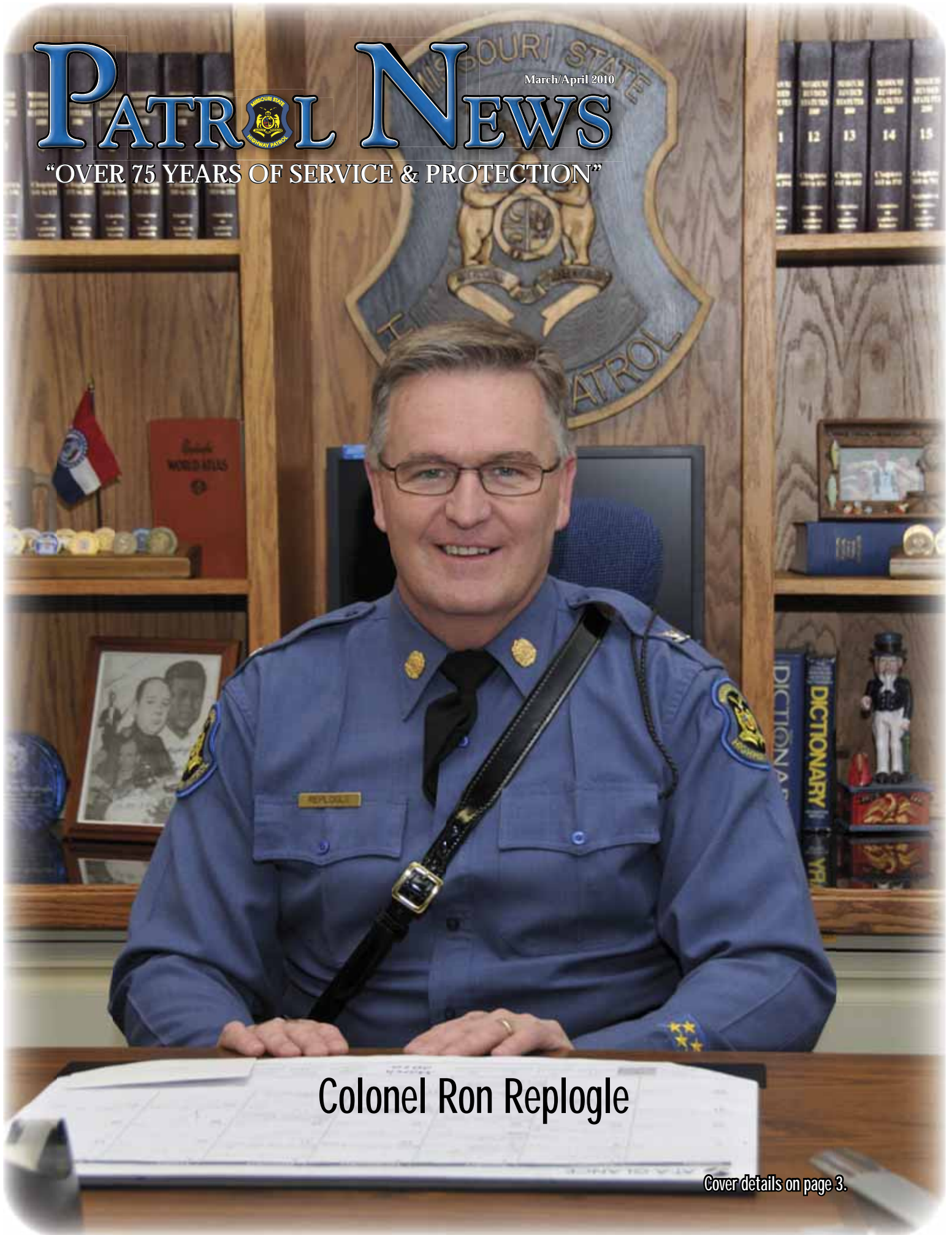


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Colonel Ron Replogle

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# Superintendent's Message

Colonel Ron Replogle



Who would have ever thought it? That was my first reaction to being named the next colonel and becoming superintendent of the Missouri State Highway Patrol. Never in my wildest dreams did I ever think I would be asked to lead this great organization. Since Governor Jay Nixon announced my nomination on February 8, I have been overwhelmed and humbled by all the e-mails, phone calls, visits, cards, and letters that I have received. Many people--from relatives, old hometown friends, to current and past co-workers, church family, and friends--have contacted me to express their congratulations. I truly did not realize that being named the new colonel would generate that much attention. I realize this is not about me, but the respect that this great organization has among the citizens of our state. Everywhere I go, when people hear of my appointment, strangers are sticking their hand out and offering a word of congratulations and encouragement.

It is about the strong tradition of professionalism and pride in this organization that every past and present employee has as they perform their duties. This organization has been built upon treating the people we serve with respect, no matter what the circumstances are. We should never forget our past. I certainly won't, as it will help effectively direct our future. I promise each of you that I will keep your (the members and employees of the Patrol) best interests at heart as I make command decisions for this organization. We are obviously in tough budget times, and just as we have personally had to tighten our financial belts, we will have to do the same as an agency. It is hoped that better financial times are ahead of us in the not too distance future.

I would like to close by quoting a scripture from the Bible in Jeremiah 29:11, *"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."* I will be seeking God's guidance and wisdom on a daily basis as I lead and command what I consider to be the best law enforcement agency in the nation.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ron Replogle". The signature is fluid and cursive, written in a professional style.



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*(l to r) Then Major Ron Replogle and Senator Carl Vogel sit facing the Missouri State Senate Gubernatorial Committee during the confirmation process which resulted in then Major Replogle becoming Colonel Replogle, superintendent of the Patrol.*

## Cover

*It's official! Colonel Ron Replogle sits in the Patrol's #1 chair after being sworn in.*

# PERSPECTIVE

## *Patrol Takes Lead: 8 Arrested*

*Sgt. Douglas B. McPike, Troop F*

The **Patrol News** does an excellent job of showcasing our organization and even incorporates articles that reflect "how others see us". With this article, however, I would like to take a moment to tell how we see ourselves.

On December 21, 2009, a member of my zone received a call from Troop F reference a subject who wanted to report a homicide that had occurred in the small town of Laddonia. Troop radio gave the information to Trooper Dustin N. "Dusty" Morey, and Tpr. Morey took it from there.

During the next 48 hours, the small town of Laddonia was trans-

formed into a citywide command post. Its citizens were able to see the full resources of the Missouri State Highway Patrol, and take comfort in knowing what a valuable organization the Patrol is.

As the investigation unfolded, every member of the local zone (Zone 4), save one; members of the Division of Drug and Crime Control, complete SWAT teams from Troop F and Troop C, Troop F staff officers, troop negotiators, and officers from the Audrain County Sheriff's Department converged upon the small community. In addition, and after the field investigation was complete, the Patrol's Violent Crime Support Unit provided their

expertise in compiling all reports and presenting them to the prosecuting attorney for his review. As a result of the investigation, the victim's body was recovered, a hostage stand-off came to a successful conclusion, and eight people were arrested.

When the dust had settled, and all involved returned to their assignments, I reflected with great pride on what had been accomplished. In such a short time, after such a serious crime, and with so many suspects, the Patrol had accomplished what it set out to do, and helped to make the community of Laddonia, and the state of Missouri, a safer place to live.

It truly is good to be a part of such a competent and professional organization.

## Troop C Becomes Winter Wonderland

*By Sgt. Al P. Nothum, Troop C*

Dozens of kids had a chance to sit on Santa's lap and tell him their deepest wishes at the Missouri State Highway Patrol sponsored 2009 Children's Christmas Party at Troop C, Weldon Spring. More than 100 of the Patrol's friends and family members showed up to the event on December 12, 2009, to take part in the merriment and share in the magic of the season. The children's Christmas party was not only attended by many young people excited and in the Christmas spirit, but Santa and his beautiful wife, Mrs. Claus, as well!! It was a great time by all!

Organizers transformed Troop C Headquarters in Weldon Spring into a winter wonderland complete with lights, balloons, gifts, a Christmas tree, and, of course, cake and candies! The little ones also had a

chance to dabble in some face painting, take part in a cake walk, and work on their building skills (so they could help Santa in his workshop some day) thanks to wood project kits donated

generously from the folks at Home Depot.

There is no doubt everyone enjoyed themselves immensely, and are already looking forward to the next Christmas party!



*Santa (r) and Mrs. Claus (l) were children magnets at the annual Troop C Christmas celebration.*

# *Safariland SAVES Club Welcomes Tpr. Dunfee*

*By Tpr. Ryan J. Wilhoit, Troop A*

At approximately 3:30 p.m., on June 30, 2009, Trooper Cody G. Dunfee, Troop A, and officers from the Bates County Sheriff's Department attempted to serve a search warrant at a residence on County Road 4501. Bates County had information that the occupant of the residence was wanted on attempted murder warrants from Pasco County, FL, and Cook County, IL. The suspect had been living under an alias for nearly 25 years.

Tpr. Dunfee and Bates County deputies announced their presence and attempted to breach the front door of the residence. When the deputies were unable to breach the front door of the residence, Tpr. Dunfee immediately reverted to his SWAT training by calling for a secondary breach. The rear sliding glass door of the residence was breached, and Tpr. Dunfee was the first to enter.

The suspect, who was standing at the end of a hallway holding a long gun, immediately fired upon Tpr. Dunfee. Tpr. Dunfee returned fire with his issued M-4 rifle, striking the suspect twice, causing him to retreat into a back bedroom. During the exchange of gunfire, Tpr. Dunfee was shot once in his SWAT-issued, Protect Titan Tactical Vest with IMPAC Plate, by a Marlin .30-.30 rifle. Although not rated to

stop rifle fire, this vest combination stopped the .30-.30 round!

Tpr. Dunfee took up a position within the residence to protect the lives of other officers and contain the suspect, even after realizing he had been shot. Tpr. Dunfee and Bates County deputies eventually exited the residence and set up an exterior perimeter. Tpr. Dunfee was treated and released by paramedics at the scene, having sustained only minor injuries to his abdomen.

The Troop A SWAT team responded to the scene, and attempts to make contact with the subject by a negotiator were unsuccessful. At approximately 8:30 p.m., through the use of a pole camera, the subject was observed slumped over on the floor of the bedroom into which he had retreated. Members of the Troop A SWAT entered the residence and discovered the suspect deceased, due to a self-inflicted gunshot wound. Troop A SWAT also discovered the suspect had attempted to put on a pair of "bug out" pants, filled with numerous rounds of .30-.30 ammunition, after the exchange of gunfire.

Members of Troop A and F SWAT teams, including Tpr. Dunfee, attended



*Tpr. Cody G. Dunfee holds his SAVES plaque at the Safariland booth while at the SHOT Show.*

the annual SHOT Show from January 19-22, at the Sands Expo and Convention Center, in Las Vegas, NV. While at the Safariland booth on January 21, Tpr. Dunfee shared his experience and was honored as a new member of the Safariland SAVES Club. (Safariland is the manufacturer of the Protect Titan Tactical Vest.) Safariland SAVES Club liaison Ed Hinchey presented Tpr. Dunfee with a SAVES Club plaque, commemorative coin, and range bag.

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## FFCU Loses For Special Olympics!



*Lieutenant John J. Hotz (center) accepts a check for \$ 1,100 from Tracy Higgins and other First Financial Credit Union employees. The FFCU employees raised the funds to donate to Special Olympics Missouri during a "Biggest Loser" weight loss competition.*



# You Can Take A Trooper Off The Road ... But, You Can't Take The Road Out Of A Trooper

**By Cpl. William W. "Bill" Lowe, Troop A**

There may be several reasons a trooper who has worked the road for many years decides to do something different. However, leaving road duty doesn't mean those skills and talents leave a trooper. Sgt. Stosberg was assigned as one of Troop A's public information and education officers on October 4, 2009. Sgt. Stosberg spent over 13 years working the highways in Jackson County and most recently served as the zone sergeant in Cass County. One of many new responsibilities Sgt. Stosberg has is speaking to young offenders about the error of their ways in the Young Traffic Offenders Program (YTOP). These offenders are assigned by the court to attend these sessions, so you can imagine their excitement when they were told Sgt. Stosberg would be speaking to them -- except, that is, for one specific offender.

The program began as most do, with the young misguided youth slumped in their seats eagerly awaiting Sgt. Stosberg's presentation. One of the participants, let's call him "Junior", decided he needed to make a phone call while Sgt. Stosberg was about



*Sgt. Collin Stosberg found these bags of marijuana during a presentation to the Young Traffic Offenders Program.*

to begin. Using his best verbal judo skills, Sgt. Stosberg asked Junior to end his phone call. Junior then raised his left index finger and told Sgt. Stosberg to "hang on". Being a patient man, Sgt. Stosberg explained to Junior he needed to leave the room, and at that point Junior decided to unleash a verbal tirade of obscenities toward Sgt. Stosberg. After his verbal tirade, the room parted like the Red Sea as Sgt. Stosberg made his way to the misguided young man. When Sgt. Stosberg approached Junior, he assisted him up

from his seat and noticed the distinct odor of marijuana about his person.

After escorting Junior from the room, Sgt. Stosberg searched him and found several fist sized baggies of marijuana packaged in a manner ready for distribution. A further computer check on Junior indicated a Kansas City Police Department warrant for first degree armed robbery. He was listed also as a person of interest in a homicide. Independence Police Department responded to Centerpoint Hospital, where the program was being held, and took Junior to the Jackson County Jail while Sgt. Stosberg returned to the classroom.

When Sgt. Stosberg returned to the room to finish the program he asked, "Would anyone else like to interrupt my presentation?"

At that point each offender sat straight up in their respective chairs and stated, "No, sir."

The rest of the program finished without incident and the young traffic offenders learned valuable lessons about the importance of making good decisions.

## May I Help You?

**By MVI III Charles G. McMillan, Troop D**

Trooper Amanda J. Kahler is shown taking a set of fingerprints--one of many services the Patrol provides to the public. Tpr. Kahler will give the completed card to the person, who then gives it to a prospective employer, or uses it in the adoption of children, on their passport, or for a myriad of other reasons.



# Participants Enjoy, Endorse CAP

*By Sgt. Paul J. Reinsch, Troop F*

Troop F hosted its sixth Community Alliance Program from October 15, through November 12, 2009. The program was conducted on six consecutive Thursday evenings from 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. Eighteen area individuals, who were interested in learning more about law enforcement, and especially the Missouri State Highway Patrol, participated in the program. The attendees included retired physicians, retired government and private industry workers, and current high school and college instructors. The goal of the program is to cultivate a positive relationship with the communities we serve.

The first session began on Thursday, October 15, 2009, at the General Headquarters Safety Education Center Theater with a welcome by Captain Dale A. Schmidt, Troop F. The participants listened to presentations from representatives of the following Troop F divisions: Communications, Motor Vehicle Inspection, Commercial Vehicle Enforcement, and Driver Examination. The students were allowed to see and handle the equipment carried by troopers while on duty. The evening ended with a tour of the Patrol's museum.

During the next four weeks, the participants experienced a variety of activities, including observing troopers using RADAR, riding with instructors during a demonstration on the Emergency Vehicle Operations Course, simulating a vehicle stop and approach, firing the Patrol service weapon, a tour of the Patrol's Law Enforcement Academy, a tour of the Aircraft Division, and participating in a demonstration by a Patrol polygraph examiner. They also viewed presentations regarding crime scene investigation, use of force, search and seizure, homeland security, criminal interdiction, Patrol aircraft enforcement, Patrol canines, and SWAT.

The final evening of the Troop F 2009 Community Alliance Program began with the participants having dinner with the 90th Recruit Class,



*Members of Troop F join the 2009 Community Alliance Program participants in this group photo.*

which was in residence at the Patrol Academy. This allowed the participants to converse with the current recruit class about Academy life and why they became interested in a career in law enforcement. This was also a good learning experience for the recruits, providing practice talking with the public and answering their questions. Later in the evening, they were presented a program on driving while intoxicated enforcement. Missouri Department of Public Safety Director John Britt gave a short talk on law enforcement and its important role in maintaining the safety and security of society. Capt. Schmidt entertained questions from all in attendance and concluded the evening by presenting each of the 18 participants a group photograph and a personalized award provided by the Public Information and Education Division.

Before the participants completed the last evening of the program, we requested they complete an evaluation form and give their opinion about several aspects of the Community Alliance Program. The comments provided were very positive and many wished the program would be extended to eight or 10 weeks. Overall, the Community Alliance Program participants indicated they were pleased with the instructors, their presentations, and the class materials. All stated they would recommend the program to other people in their communities.

I would like to thank all the Patrol members and employees who assisted with the Community Alliance Pro-

gram. I want to especially thank the following divisions for their assistance: the Aircraft Division for making available the Patrol hangar, aircraft, and pilots; the Patrol Academy for providing assistance with the EVOC track and dinner with the recruits; and the Public Information and Education Division for making available the Patrol's Safety Education Center and Theater, and for providing the group picture and the awards presented to the Community Alliance Program participants.

## HRD Converting Personnel Files

The Human Resources Division is scanning all employee master files into an electronic format. The project will take over a year to complete. Since employee files will be stored electronically, no paper copy will exist. Once an employee's file is scanned, any original documents (birth certificate, photos, transcripts, etc.) will be forwarded to the employee in envelopes marked "confidential". Employees retiring January 1, 2010 or later will no longer be offered their paper personnel file, due to this change to an electronic format.

# Anniversaries

## April

### 35 years

CITS I Robert A. Wieberg,  
Q/ISD

### 30 years

CVO Sprv. II Mary E. Allen,  
Troop C

Cpl. Timothy M. Hannan,  
Q/DDCC

Sgt. Allan C. Heseman,  
Q/RDD

Sgt. Christopher C.F.  
Hoskins, Q/GD

Sgt. W. Scott Pauley,  
Q/DDCC

Lt. James P. Ripley, Troop A

Sgt. Gilbert L. Rodenberg,  
Q/GD

Sgt. Clyde K. Wakefield,  
Q/DDCC

### 25 years

Dup. Equip. Oper. Sprv.  
Tresha G. McBaine,  
Q/BPD

### 20 years

CVO Sprv. I Thomas W.  
Cross, Troop I

Chief DE L. Jill Galate,  
Troop A

DE Sprv. Lorrie L. Johnson,  
Troop A

DE III Kathleen A. Leitman,  
Troop C

### 15 years

Comm. Oper. II Dennis S.  
Bonuchi, Troop B

Asst. Chief. Tech. David S.  
Byington, Q/CommD

Clerk Typist III Jacqueline E.  
Childs, Troop C

Spec. Asst. L. Van Godsey,  
Q/DDCC

CVO II Kyndal L. Gordon,  
Troop B

Cpl. Matthew R. Heits, Troop H  
Telecom. Jodi L. Kent, Troop H  
Comm. Oper. III John R.

Novotny, Troop D

DE III Chichota R. Penn, Troop  
A

MVI Sprv. Gleta L. Shelton,  
Troop C

Asst. Chief Oper. Laurie C. Wall,  
Troop H

Sgt. Mark A. Wilhoit, Troop H

### 10 years

Fingerprint Tech. Sprv. Michael  
G. Fooks, Q/CJISD

DE III Demetrice C. Weeden,  
Troop C

Info. Analyst II Larry D.  
Schrader, Q/DDCC

### 5 years

AFIS Entry Oper. III Sharon K.  
Rains, Q/CJISD

## May

### 25 years

Asst. Garage Sup. Paul R.  
Becker, Q/MED

### 20 years

MVI III Nancy K. West, Troop D  
DE III Michael V. Thompson,

Troop E

Crim. Sprv. Martin A.  
Lindenbusch, Q/CLD

### 15 years

CIT III Bonita L. Fouts, Q/ISD  
Comm. Oper. III Kevin J.

Turnbeaugh, Troop C

### 10 years

Comm. Oper. III Regina L.  
Cruise, Troop C

Clerk III Jeffrey A. Herigon,  
Q/BPD

### 5 years

Tpr. James C. Acree, Troop H

Tpr. Samuel V. Buchheit,  
Troop C

Account Clerk III Teresa M.  
Bybee, Q/CJISD

Tpr. Chad C. Clark, Troop D

Tpr. Travis S. Croft, Troop C  
Tpr. David C. Dinges,

Troop C

DE III Rebecca L. Dunlap,  
Troop H

Tpr. Gerald R. Fenton,  
Troop B

Tpr. Joshua V. Garrison,  
Q/GD

DE III Rhonda K. Graham,  
Troop H

Auto. Tech. III Derin M.  
Holterman, Q/MED

Tpr. William R. Koch, Troop F  
CDL Exam. Lisa D. Land,

Troop D

Tpr. Justin D. Leemasters,  
Troop D

Tpr. Matthew B. Lomedico,  
Q/GD

Criminalist III Matthew S.  
Messick, Q/CLD

Tpr. Matthew E. Morice,  
Troop F

Tpr. Chad J. North, Troop F  
Tpr. Justin E. Peabody,

Troop H

Clerk Typist III Amanda J.  
Perkins, Troop G

Tpr. Justin D. Piccinino,  
Troop G

Qual. Control Clerk II  
Michelle L. Polston,

Q/TFD

Tpr. Evan L. Tyrrell, Troop A  
Tpr. Ryan D. Vaughan,

Troop G

Info. Analyst II Chikako O.  
Wildhaber, Q/DDCC



# 40 Years Ago ...

## Tpr. Jesse R. Jenkins Remembered

On Wednesday, October 14, 2009, members of the Missouri State Highway Patrol, local law enforcement, and courthouse staff took a moment to memorialize the passing of Tpr. Jesse R. "Roger" Jenkins. Tpr. Jenkins was shot and killed in the line of duty 40 years ago and the details of the event are as follows:

During the early morning hours of Tuesday, October 14, 1969, two men from St. Louis were arrested in the act of burglarizing Cleeton's Radio and TV Service in Montgomery City. Later that day, both men—Robert Melvin Thomas and Carl Edward Williams were charged with burglary and stealing, and arraigned. During arraignment, Thomas' bond was set at \$4,000 and Williams' bond was set at \$7,500. Thomas had been released from prison on parole on February 25, 1969, for a burglary and stealing conviction. Carl Edward Williams had an extensive criminal background.

Upon being returned to the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office, the prisoners were held in the office area, which was shared with the Missouri State Highway Patrol. Williams was seated next to the desk occupied by Tpr. Jenkins. Thomas was seated next to a desk across the room with the Montgomery County Sheriff Clarence Landrum. The Montgomery City Marshal Marion Britt and Montgomery County Deputy Sheriff Virgil "Dick" May were at a desk near the sheriff's department's radio console while Deputy May was talking on the radio to another department. Sheriff Landrum was advised he had a telephone call, and when he reached across the desk to pick up the phone, Rob-

ert Melvin Thomas removed the sheriff's five shot revolver from its holster, stood up, and ordered the officers to stand still. Tpr. Jenkins stood up from his desk and he and Thomas immediately engaged in an exchange of gunfire in which both of them emptied their weapons.



*A special plaque honoring Tpr. Jesse R. Jenkins, KOD 1969, rests near a wreath and the chair in which he was seated the night of the shooting. All were on display at a special memorial service in October 2009.*

Tpr. Jenkins fell beside his desk as Thomas fled from the office and up a flight of stairs. Tpr. Jenkins got up and moved out the doorway where he collapsed. The deputy and city marshal pursued Thomas out the door and up

the stairway while the other prisoner remained in his seat near the desk previously occupied by Tpr. Jenkins. Sheriff Landrum remained with Tpr. Jenkins. Thomas collapsed on the steps and was handcuffed by the city marshal and deputy. Thomas died on the stairway from the gunshot wounds inflicted by Tpr. Jenkins, who, in spite of being mortally wounded himself, continued in his effort to apprehend Thomas.

During the 2009 memorial service, Cpl. Mark G. Broniec addressed those in attendance and provided them the history of Tpr. Jenkins death. In addition, Sgt. Matthew J. Broniec, Troop F, commented that the 89th Recruit Class, which graduated in July 2009, from the Missouri State Highway Patrol Academy, had adopted Tpr. Jenkins as their role model, and had purchased a plaque honoring Tpr. Jenkins which is being displayed at the Academy. The recruit class also purchased a dedication plaque for the chair in which Tpr. Jenkins was seated on the night of the shooting. The chair bears a bullet hole from one of the shots fired by Thomas toward Tpr. Jenkins. To close the memorial service, Sgt. Anthony J. "Tony" Mattox recited the Trooper's Code of Conduct, then led the group in a prayer.

Tpr. Jenkins was the 8th member of the Missouri State Highway Patrol to make the ultimate sacrifice and the first in 14 years. He was 29 years old. Tpr. Jenkins is survived by his wife, Janet, and son, Jeffrey, who reside near Desloge, MO. Desloge is also the final resting place of Tpr. Jenkins and where a section of U.S. Highway 67 has been dedicated in his honor and memory.

To read the full biography of Tpr. Jenkins and the other fallen troopers, go to [www.mshp.dps.missouri.gov](http://www.mshp.dps.missouri.gov) and click on the Ultimate Sacrifice link.

# Spotlight

## Comm. Oper. III Regina L. Cruise



**Appointed:** May 1 2000.

**First Assignment:** Telecommunicator, Troop C.

**Promotions/Reclassifications:**

Prob. Radio Telecommunicator -- December 1, 2001; Radio Telecommunicator -- December 1, 2002; Radio Personnel -- July 1, 2004; Communications Operator II -- July 1, 2008; Communications Operator III -- December 13, 2009.

**Current Assignment:** Communications Operator III, Troop C.

**Family:** I am from a family which consisted of my father, mother and 2 sisters. Among other things, our parents raised us to be honest and to appreciate what we have. Although both parents have died, I attempt to live by their lessons and values.

**Interests:** Regina (Jenny) loves working in her yard and gardens, and has a passion for cooking. She also tries to take advantage of the local attractions in St Louis such as the Botanical Garden, Art Museum, and the local parks. When time allows, she takes road trips to different parts of Missouri and surrounding states, which for her, can prove to be a nice break from the norm.

Jenny was born, raised, and currently lives in Southwest St Louis County. She graduated from Park-

way South High School in 1983. After 15 years working in a stock brokerage firm, she worked two years as a part owner in a family business and owned a police equipment business. She started with the Highway Patrol in November 1999, in Troop C's records division, as a 1,000-hour clerk. On May 1, 2000, she became a full-time employee as a telecommunicator.

## DE II Hannah R. Taylor



**Appointed:** July 29, 2007.

**First Assignment:** Driver Examiner I, Troop D.

**Promotion:** Driver Examiner II -- July 27, 2008.

**Current Assignment:** Driver Examiner II, Troop D, Springfield South Traveling Crew.

**Family:** My husband, Jered Taylor, works for Lowe's. We met while attending Hannibal LaGrange College. He got a degree, and I got him! I'm originally from Jefferson City, where my mom and dad still live, and my dad is a pastor at Concord Baptist Church. I have three older brothers. The oldest, Nathan Shinkle, is a corporal in Troop B.

Anyone who spends any time with me has to hear about my American bulldogs, Titus and Topanga. (They are my only babies for now.)

**Interests:** I stay very busy!! I attend Jefferson Avenue Baptist Church in Springfield, where I teach kin-

dergarten Sunday school, sing on the praise team, and serve with the youth group. I have a small wedding flower business I run on Etsy.com ([www.hannahroses.etsy.com](http://www.hannahroses.etsy.com)), a website where everything is handmade. I spend the majority of my free time sewing and working on my creations to sell, and trying to please brides. I enjoy singing and singing loud! If I wasn't a driver examiner and could have any occupation in the world I would be a country music historian ... I mean REAL country music. If I had more free time I'd spend it either on the lake fishing (I challenge anyone to out fish me) or watching my Kentucky Wildcats play basketball!

## Telecom. Douglas W. Sullivan



**Appointed:** March 31, 2002.

**First/Current Assignment:** Telecommunicator, Troop D.

**Family:** Douglas' daughter, Sherry, and her husband, J.C., own and operate a Dairy Farm near Crane, MO. They have three children, Courtney, 18, Ashley, 15, and John, 10.

His son, Byron, works in the Criminal Justice Information Services Division at General Headquarters, in Jefferson City. Byron's wife is Dr. Crystal Sullivan, chief resident at Capital Regional Medi-

# Spotlight

## — Sullivan

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cal Center, Jefferson City. Byron and Crystal have a 10-month-old son named Max.

**Interests:** Doug is interested in all types of history with particular interest in military history from the Civil War through Vietnam War. He enjoys reading and watching political history as well.

Upon his retirement, Doug would like to trace his father's footsteps in Europe and North Africa. His father served in WW II and received six bronze stars while in General George Patton's Co. G 274th Infantry.

Doug also enjoys big band and southern gospel music with special emphasis on Glenn Miller and the Gaither Vocal Band. He attended a Glenn Miller reunion in Clarinda, IA, in 2007.

# April

April 15

- Tpr. J.E. Linegar died in 1985.

April 15

- Class B Uniform

April 20

- Tpr. R.C. Tatoian died in 2005.

## ELECTRONICALLY SPEAKING

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# MO National Guard Recognizes Capt. Chadwick

*By Ashley N. Ward  
Missouri National Guard*

Missouri State Highway Patrol Capt. Billy Chadwick, commanding officer of Troop G, was recently honored with a Patriot Award presented by the Missouri State Committee of Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR).

Master Sgt. Danny Fox, a member of the United States Air Force Reserve's 442<sup>nd</sup> Fighter Wing, nominated Chadwick for the award, which recognizes employers who go beyond the legal requirements in supporting their military reserve employees. Fox, a commercial vehicle officer for the Missouri State Highway Patrol stationed at Troop G, said that Capt. Chadwick deserved the award because of his unwavering support for his National Guard and Reserve employees.

"I had wanted to do something for the troop and for Capt. Chadwick for some time and I thought, boy, this is the way to do it," said Master Sgt./CVO Sprv. II Fox. "When I was in Iraq, sometimes things weren't going good and Capt. Chadwick would send me an e-mail or something funny to make me relax. It was nice to know that he cared."

Capt. Chadwick said that he was honored by Fox's nomination.

"I was in the National Guard years ago, so I realize what it means to leave and to have family behind. So, this means a lot," he said. "I'm grateful for this troop and for my entire staff. This award will be prominently displayed."

ESGR Representative Phillip Dixon said employer support is always important to military reserve members, but when the support is as consistent as Capt. Chadwick's, it proves very reassuring to those serving.

"It's the kind of thing that just thrills you as an individual, to know that your employer is legitimately, genuinely, and sincerely concerned about you and what you're doing," said Dixon. "Capt. Chadwick exemplifies the ideal example of an employer, and we're grateful."



*Lt. Cmdr. Brian Rich (l), commanding officer of the Naval Operations Support Center in Springfield, MO, presents the Patriot Award to Missouri State Highway Patrol Capt. Billy Chadwick, Troop G. Master Sgt. Danny Fox (r), a commercial vehicle officer with the Missouri State Highway Patrol submitted the award nomination.*



# Traffic Fatalities Lowest In 60 Years!

*By Public Info. Spec. III Cheryl D. Cobb, Q/PIED*

The numbers are in! For the fourth year in a row, Missouri has experienced a decrease in traffic fatalities. In 2009, the 878 traffic fatalities are the lowest in Missouri in 60 years.

To acknowledge the importance of this milestone, Missouri's media outlets were invited to attend any of four news conferences on Tuesday, January 19, 2010. Colonel James F. Keathley, accompanied by Capt. J. Tim Hull, Q/PIED, and a representative from the Missouri Department of Transportation, spoke in Jefferson City, Weldon Spring, Springfield, and Lee's Summit. Col. Keathley provided information regarding the decrease in traffic fatalities as it's related to commercial motor vehicles, alcohol-involvement, younger drivers, older drivers, and other significant areas of concern. At each loca-



*Capt. J. Tim Hull, Q/PIED, introduces Col. James F. Keathley at the press conference held at the New Hickory Hills Elementary School in Springfield.*

tion, the troop commander provided local statistics. The MoDOT representative spoke about the Missouri Co-

alition For Roadway Safety's mission regarding the reduction of traffic fatalities.

## Through A Child's Eyes ... WINNING POSTER SAYS IT ALL

*By Sgt. Keverne L. McCollum, Q/DDCC*

The 2010 winner of Missouri's Missing Children's Day Poster Contest is Miss Brooke Allen, a student at Logan-Rogersville Upper Elementary School. She said she drew a clock because we need to find and bring missing children home quickly. " ... I made the clock like the sun in the sky, because every day a child goes missing and we want it to go in reverse, so that every day children are going home to their families," said Brooke. As the winner of Missouri's contest, Miss Allen's poster will be entered into the national contest. Congratulations, Brooke!

President Ronald Reagan first proclaimed National Missing Children's Day on May 25, 1983. It now serves as an annual reminder to Missouri and the nation that everyone can play a part in bringing a missing child home, and in preventing the occurrence of future missing children.

*This poster took first place in Missouri for the 2010 National Missing Children's Day Poster Contest.*



# TOYOTA TUNDRA'S **SECRET** REVEALED

By MVI III Charles G. McMillan, Troop D

Sergeant Matthew K. Funderburk was observing traffic on Interstate 44 near U.S. Highway 65 in Greene County when he saw a 2000 Toyota Tundra following too closely to another vehicle. He pulled out of the crossover and caught up with the Tundra.

Sgt. Funderburk observed the Tundra for a while, and saw that it was still following at an unsafe distance. He proceeded to pull it over by activating his emergency lights.

Sgt. Funderburk made contact with the vehicles' occupants through the passenger side. He told them why he had stopped them and asked the driver to take a seat in his patrol vehicle.

The driver presented a license that came back as being revoked in California. The search also indicated this citizen had a lengthy criminal history. The driver had a case of incessant jabbering, undoubtedly due to being nervous. His nervousness came to light as he handed his license to Sgt. Funderburk with a shaking hand.

The average temperature for Springfield in December 2009 was around 31 degrees, yet the driver had a bead of sweat that appeared on his forehead as he quickly told Sgt. Funderburk about the truck not being his, but belonging to his cousin who loaned it to him to drive to another cousins' wedding. He apologized for following too closely and he didn't know about the revocation, because he never received a ticket, and then he apologized again ... and on ... and on ... and on. Finally, Sgt. Funderburk said that he needed to check the passenger and verify his identity.

The passenger identified himself and his MULES check came back OK.

However, he gave a different scenario as to the cousin's wedding date.

Sgt. Funderburk went back to his patrol car and told the driver what the passenger had said and the driver appeared confused and said he had made a mistake. At that time, Sgt. Funderburk asked for and received permission to search the vehicle for anything illegal. He called Sergeant Gary L. Braden and asked for his canine to

Troop D Headquarters. The search at Troop D was performed by Commercial Vehicle Officer Supervisor Rick L. Talbert, Sgt. Funderburk, Sgt. Braden, and Auto. Tech. III Mark D. Riddle. While searching the engine compartment they noticed that the intake screws had fresh shiny marks on them, indicating they had been adjusted recently.

Removing the air intake hose exposed the air intake valve, which could

be opened and closed. When it was opened, a large metal obstruction was found along with non-factory wire. This observation prompted Auto. Tech. III Riddle to remove the air intake cover. Inside, they found two metal boxes that had been wired together. Inside each of the metal boxes were

two large, zip lock bags full of a white crystallized powder. All four bags were removed and field tested with a positive result for methamphetamine. The total weight was approximately 6 1/2 pounds.

Sgt. Funderburk placed the driver and passenger under arrest and turned them over to Sergeant Daniel P. Banasik, Q/DDCC, for further investigation.

*Great work, gentlemen!*



*One of these things just doesn't belong.  
This metal box aroused some curiosity.*

*These bags of  
methamphetamine  
were seized during a  
traffic stop.*



conduct a canine sniff. Sgt. Braden arrived, then had his dog put his nose to work. The K-9 began sniffing the exterior of the vehicle. It is quite remarkable for a dog to be able to discern between the various smells around a vehicle, but he did as he alerted to the presence of narcotics.

At this time Sgt. Funderburk instructed the driver to follow him to



# Promotions and Reclassifications



Ron Replogle  
Colonel  
Q/Staff



Luke Vislay  
Major  
Q/CIB



Malik A. Henderson  
Captain  
Q/MVI



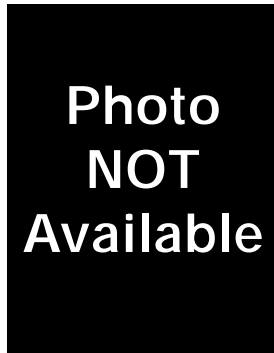
Kyle D. Marquart  
Captain  
Q/DDCC



William D. Choate  
Lieutenant  
Troop D



Matthew J. Cody  
Sergeant  
Troop F



Donald L. Crump  
Sergeant  
Q/DDCC



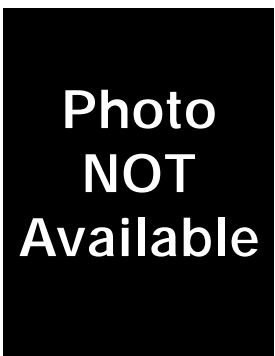
Harold L. Driemeier  
Sergeant  
Troop C



Johny L. Ellsworth  
Sergeant  
Troop C



Thad M. Wilson  
Sergeant  
Q/GSD



Brian M. Anders  
Corporal  
Q/DDCC



Steven R. Gisselbeck  
Corporal  
Troop F



Shawn M. Griggs  
Corporal  
Troop C



Roger D. Martin  
Assistant Chief  
Operator  
Q/CommD



Paula J. Price  
Comm. Oper. II  
Troop F



# Promotions and Reclassifications



Jackie A. Martin  
Prob. Comm. Tech.  
Q/CommD



Carrie A. Berendzen  
Quality Control Clerk I  
Q/CVED



Amy M. Barnes  
Fingerprint Tech. III  
Q/CJISD



Ryan L. Boeckman  
CIT II  
Q/ISD



William S. Cantrell  
Clerk Typist I  
Troop D



Tyrie K. Clair  
Fingerprint Tech. II  
Q/CJISD



Matthew J. Fox  
Criminalist III  
Q/CLD



Michelle L. Frey  
Information Analyst II  
Q/DDCC



Leena C. Harris  
DE III  
Troop D



Jerry L. Jenkins  
MVI Sprv.  
Troop F



Malena B. Jimenez  
Criminalist III  
Q/CLD



Julia A. Lesinski  
Fingerprint Tech. II  
Q/CJISD



Terry McElyea  
DE I  
Troop C



Eliza L. Nailer  
Fingerprint Tech. II  
Q/CJISD



Larry M. Rader  
MVI II  
Troop C

# Promotions and Reclassifications



Mark D. Statun  
MVI III  
Troop C



Caroline R. Thompson  
Fingerprint Tech. II  
Q/CJISD



Amanda B. Volansky  
Criminalist III  
Q/CLD



Heather A. Ward  
Criminalist I  
Q/CLD



Stacey E. Willcut  
Fingerprint Tech. II  
Q/CJISD



Allison K. Williams  
Clerk Typist III  
Q/TND

## Troop F Recognizes Brownell

*By Sgt. Paul J. Relnsch, Troop F*

On January 5, 2010, a certificate of appreciation was presented to Mr. Fred Brownell, of Leoma, TN, for his actions at the scene of a serious patrol vehicle crash. Mr. Brownell witnessed Trooper Derek K. Sullivan's patrol vehicle travel off the road and overturn. The crash occurred on Missouri Highway 22 at U.S. Highway 63 in Boone County. Mr. Brownell stopped his vehicle and made contact with Tpr. Sullivan, who was rendered unconscious and trapped inside his vehicle. He assisted Tpr. Sullivan out of his car and helped place a call to Troop F communications, so that emergency personnel could be routed to the scene. Tpr. Sullivan was treated for minor injuries and returned to work after a couple of days.



*(l to r) Sgt. Douglas B. McPike presents a certificate of appreciation to Mr. Fred Brownell for his assistance to Tpr. Derek K. Sullivan. Lt. Vernon Dougan was also present to express his appreciation for Mr. Brownell's assistance.*

## MSHP

Everywhere I go, I'm asked if I think the university stifles writers. My opinion is that they don't stifle enough of them. There's many a bestseller that could have been prevented by a good teacher.

*– Flannery O'Connor  
(1925-1964)*



# To Vaccinate Or Not To Vaccinate: That Is The Question!

*By MVI III Charles G. McMillan, Troop D*

The question is, "Should I get the H1N1 shot or not?"

The answer is ... not that easy. You need to see all the facts that are out there about H1N1, and your physician can help.

Ms. Amy Selvey provided H1N1 shots for Troop D personnel and their families through the Greene County Health Department. She is seen here giving me a shot. (Of course, I had to ham it up for the camera.) Amy is a nurse at the Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Group and has been in the profession for over four years.

Thanks for the office call, Ms. Selvey!

*MVI III Charles McMillan bravely gets the H1N1 shot at Troop D Headquarters.*



## Thanks For The Tow!

*By MVI III Charles G. McMillan, Troop D*

It is a rare occasion when someone is willing to provide help without expecting some form of remuneration. However, this is exactly what Boyd Garner of Garner Towing did for the Motor Vehicle Inspection Division at Troop D Headquarters in Springfield. Boyd provided assistance in relocating an inoperative vehicle to the Troop D impound lot. The only way the pickup could be moved is by using a roll-back vehicle. Thanks, Boyd!



*Troop D Commanding Officer, Captain Juan O. Villanueva, presented Mr. Boyd Garner with a Patrol cup in appreciation for a job well done.*



*This inoperative pickup truck was towed by Garner Towing to Troop D Headquarters.*



# Colonel James F. Keathley Retires

By Public Info. Spec. III Cheryl D. Cobb, Q/PIED

On January 7, 2010, Colonel James F. Keathley, superintendent of the Missouri State Highway Patrol, announced he would retire on March 1, 2010, after more than 33 years of dedicated and honorable service to the citizens of Missouri. "I intend to be available to assure a smooth transition," said Colonel Keathley. "When you first sit down at this desk, there are items in your inbox that you don't have history for. I called [retired Colonel Roger D.] Stottlemire every day that first month. It was nice to have someone to ask."

Once the transition is complete, Colonel Keathley will move on to ... turkey season. "I have the state record," he said with a smile. "I've never, not killed one. Missouri may have 1,000 of us tied for that record. But, I've killed one every year. My dad first took me turkey hunting when I was 16 years old."

Colonel Keathley and his wife, Jana, also plan to build a house on their farm in Madison County. He said they bought the property 10 years ago with that plan. He'll be hunting and fishing ... doing pretty much anything outdoors.

But, how did he get here ... to retirement? Colonel Keathley's professional journey with the Patrol began in 1977, when he accepted the position of weight inspector in Troop E.

Colonel Keathley said his interest in being a trooper developed while he worked as a weight inspector. "Being a weight inspector, you worked around troopers all of the time and listened to what they did ... heard about it over the radio," said Colonel Keathley. "Man, that was exciting. Why wouldn't you want to do that?"

Colonel Keathley was accepted into the Patrol's Law Enforcement Academy on his first try and felt very fortunate to be selected. He arrived at the Academy with the 50th Recruit Class on July 8, 1979.

"Recruit training back then was all about [retired Captain] Paul Corbin. He was our PT instructor. I remember being scared to death of him ... running up and down these hills and doing pushups. He still frightens me," said Colonel Keathley with a chuckle.

Colonel Keathley graduated first academically in his class. At that time, it was the only award the Academy presented at graduation. He said he and present Captain Bradley W. Jones, Q/TFD, were virtually tied, with only a fraction of a point's difference between them.



Colonel James Keathley took the 'ribbing' from his family quite well during the celebration.

His first assignment was close to home in Marble Hill, MO, allowing him to visit his parents, who were older, whenever he wanted. He got a taste for criminal investigation while working marijuana eradication, and joined the Division of Drug and Crime Control's Troop E Unit as an investigator in 1985.

"I counted up my tenure—I worked 53 homicides while I was in Troop E ... along with fraud, special investigations, burglary. That is still the busiest DDCC unit in the state. There are more homicide investigations in Troop E today than any other troop."



Mr. Mike Kelly, the Voice of the Tigers, served as emcee during Col. James Keathley's retirement reception.

He was promoted to a corporal, sergeant, lieutenant, and captain while serving in the Division of Drug and Crime Control. As a lieutenant, he moved to Jefferson City, where Capt. Darnell placed him in charge of field investigators. He also served as the division's administrative lieutenant under Capt. Darnell, who felt the duties should rotate among the division's lieutenants. This served as good preparation for Col. Keathley becoming the division director (1994).

"Seems every time I got promoted there was a different challenge," said Col. Keathley. "1994 was when we entered into the terrible meth years. There was a lot of time devoted to that."

While he was serving as the director of DDCC, the Violent Crime Unit was formed. This unit provides assistance to criminal justice agencies throughout the state during the investigation of serious crimes.

Col. Keathley became a major and was designated commander of the Criminal Investigation Bureau on September 1, 2001. "Eleven days later the

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nation's focus turned to terrorism," Col. Keathley said. "Again, everything is turned on its end and things change, and we immediately assigned troopers to joint terrorism task forces, homeland security money came in, and for the first time we had a DPS homeland security coordinator."

As a major, he set some goals regarding the Crime Laboratory Division. "At that time, lab employees were underpaid and experiencing an extreme backlog. I wanted to do something to alleviate this situation."

He remained focused on the Crime Lab issues when he became colonel to complete this goal. "If the Crime Lab isn't getting things done, the criminal justice system grinds to a halt—we can't have trials. We've made a ton of progress. Our attrition rate is now "normal" and we are able to hire experienced people, where before we were used as a training ground."

Col. Keathley was appointed superintendent on September 1, 2006. "Being superintendent is the toughest and most fulfilling position I've had on the Patrol. It was something I didn't ever imagine happening, and it has been very rewarding."

He described the position of trooper as being the "most fun", explaining that you were your own boss and the stress level was lower. "I still think being a trooper is the best job on the



Col. Keathley introduced his sons, (left) Cpl. Lonnie Keathley, Troop C, and Tpr. Jeremie Keathley, Troop I, to those present. One of his stepsons, Keith Farris, of Hebersprings, AR, also attended. Unfortunately, stepson Clay Farris, of Drasco, AR, was unable to attend.



Governor Jay Nixon presents the retirement certificate to Col. James Keathley.

Lt. Col. Richard Coffey (r) bestows upon Col. Keathley a caricature of himself from the Patrol's command staff.



Highway Patrol. I appreciate that everyone has goals and wants to move up. But, once you move up, the stress level goes up."

"I don't know if I really have an accomplishment as superintendent. As colonel, I set policy and ensure the integrity of the agency. The employees have had a lot of accomplishments over the past three years ..."

Law enforcement has changed much since Col. Keathley was a trooper in 1979. "When I came on, you had one radio and two channels. You had two options: pick up the mic and call another car or call the troop. I remember my first car was a big Mercury like the one in the museum. On a busy shift, you

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had to fill it up with fuel three times."

Technology is, understandably, the biggest change in law enforcement. "I foresee that the technological advancements in the next five years will be more than in the last 30 ... and that includes just the planned changes of interoperability, MoDEX, and RMS (CAD)."

Over 300 local, state, and federal law enforcement leaders from across Missouri, legislators, judges, state government directors, Patrol employees, and friends joined his family for Col. Keathley's retirement reception on Thursday, February 25, 2010. The reception took place at the Patrol's Law Enforcement Academy at General Headquarters in Jefferson City.

A special ceremony during the event included Col. Keathley presenting badge No. 1 and its corresponding insignia to Governor Jay Nixon. The governor then formally presented the badge and insignia to the incoming superintendent, Colonel Ron Repogle.

"Col. Keathley is what every good law enforcement officer strives to be," said Governor Jay Nixon. "I congratulate him on his retirement, and thank him for his long and faithful service to the people of the state of Missouri."

There were numerous presentations—many were plaques of appreciation for the close working relationship a particular agency has experienced with Col. Keathley and the Patrol. A more unique presentation of pictures and humor came from his family, given by his brother-in-law, Mr. Greg Renoe. The Missouri Senate and House created resolutions. (The House version took three frames, because all of the House Democrats wanted to sign it.) Missouri Department of Corrections Director George Lombardi gave Col. Keathley a "piece of the rock". The rock was from the old Missouri State Penitentiary adorned with a DOC patch and a picture from the 1954 riot at the facility which the Patrol stopped. As each agency's representative spoke, the message was clear: Col. Keathley is widely respected and wished the best.

"I can honestly say he is one of the



Representatives from other states and many Missouri agencies attended. Here, Nebraska State Patrol Colonel Bryan Tuma (l) and Kansas Highway Patrol Colonel Terry Maple (r) present gifts from their respective agencies.

most intelligent people I know. He is involved in many law enforcement organizations, boards, and commissions. His input is invaluable," said Designated Principle Assistant Jeanette M. Muller, who worked with Col. Keathley for eight years. "He looks at an issue from every angle to see the effect it will have on all concerned. Col. Keathley is thoughtful, compassionate, and down-to-earth. He is truly a great leader."

Lieutenant Colonel Richard L. Coffey presented Col. Keathley with a display case housing a Glock with the number 00001 engraved on it. He then gave the colonel a gift from his staff: a caricature of Col. Keathley on his tractor.

"I have had the opportunity to work closely with Jim Keathley for a number of years, beginning in 1994, when I served as a lieutenant on his staff in the Division of Drug and Crime Control.

We later worked out of adjoining offices as majors on the staff of Colonel Roger Stottlemire, and I was honored when he asked me to be the lieutenant colonel upon his appointment as superintendent," said Lt. Col. Coffey. "Over the years, I have held his opinions and integrity in the highest regard. I have admired his intelligence,

reasoning ability, common sense, fairness, ability to recall information, desire to do the right thing for the right reasons, and his dedication to preserving the traditions and reputation of the Missouri State Highway Patrol. I truly consider him one of the best friends I have ever had on the Patrol, and wish him the very best as he ends this career and begins his well-deserved retirement."

Congratulations on your retirement, Colonel Keathley!

*(Editor's Note: A few weeks before he retired, Colonel James F. Keathley sat down with me to talk about his years on the Patrol. This article includes excerpts from that interview. To see the entire interview article, visit the Patrol's homepage at [www.mshp.dps.mo.gov](http://www.mshp.dps.mo.gov) and select "publications", "Patrol history". On that page, is a section entitled "historical interviews" (upper, right). You'll find it there.)*



Incoming Colonel Ron Repogle (left) and retiring Colonel James Keathley wish one another well as Gov. Jay Nixon observes.



# Troop E Debuts Color Guard!

## Sgt. Dale H. Moreland, Troop E

The Troop E Honor Guard was formed on October 1, 2006, and in February 2007, held its first practice. The honor guard was originally formed and trained for funeral ceremonies, with the intention of some day performing the duties of a color guard. The original honor guard had 12 members assigned, but by November 2006, this number was down to seven. However, before the first practice two more were added. Troop E Honor Guard has represented the Missouri State Highway Patrol and Troop E very well since its inception. They have served at several funerals, just recently (November 2009) at the funeral of former Governor Warren E. Hearnes.

The group began training to act as a color guard in 2009, hoping to be active soon after. Troop E is proud to announce its color guard recently debuted in Poplar Bluff, MO, at Oak Grove Elementary School for an event held each year during the Christmas season. The color guard led a parade onto the school grounds, and presented the colors during the singing

of the national anthem. On December 29, 2009, the Troop E Color Guard presented the colors for the annual Poplar Bluff Shoot-out at the Poplar Bluff High School. This event hosted several out-of-town and out-of-state basketball clubs.

The Troop E Color Guard consists of the following officers: Sergeant Timothy G. Pulley; Cpl. Douglas M. McDaniel, officer-in-charge; Corporal Charles R. Colbert Jr., training officer; Corporal Jason N. Crites; and Trooper Benjamin C. Jones.

The Troop E Honor Guard officers include:

Cpl. Douglas M. McDaniel, detail commander; Sgt. Timothy G. Pulley, assistant detail commander; Cpl. Charles R. Colbert, assistant detail commander; Corporal Keith A. Almond; Corporal Barry G. Matthews; Cpl. Jason N. Crites; Trooper Todd P. Watson; Tpr. Benjamin C. Jones; Trooper Amy K. Johnson; Trooper David W. Crank; Trooper Brooks A. Pratt; and Trooper Richard A. Walker.



*The Troop E Color Guard presented the colors for the annual Poplar Bluff High School Shoot-Out in December 2009.*

## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Riley Marie

Mr. Jeffrey D. and DE III Melanie R. Fitzpatrick  
Troop F

### Daniel Xavier

Tpr. James R. and Mrs. Cheri A. Sauer  
Troop C

### Mason Augustus

Mr. Ricki D. and Criminalist II Cindy M. Dierenfeldt  
Q/CLD

### Landry Nichole

Mr. Justin N. and Clerk Typist II Michelle M. Kempker  
Troop F

### Lyssa Corryn

Mr. Casey L. and CIT Sprv. I Nicole D. Bax  
Q/ISD

### Eli Paul

Mr. Wesley S. and CIT III Lori M. Libbert  
Q/ISD

### Maggie Anne

Tpr. Mark W. and Mrs. Jill A. Hicks  
Q/GD

### Chloe Elizabeth Mae

MVI II Ryan J.M. and Mrs. Danielle E. Ice  
Troop F

### Allison Tatiana

Tpr. Alexander H. and Mrs. Toni L. Michajliczenko  
Troop C

### Jacob

CVI I Joseph W. and Mrs. Jannette L. Eldred  
Troop D

### Kylie Maleda

Mr. Ronnie D. and Criminalist III Kimberly D. Hardin  
Q/CLD

# 'Looking Beyond the Stop'

*The following officers are to be commended for looking beyond the initial stop. Each of these officers made at least one felony arrest during the period of December 28, 2009 through February 28, 2010. (Editor's Note: This column excludes DWI arrests, warrant arrests, and "plain sight" situations. Keep in mind that there must be information under the "miscellaneous" section of the radio report to be considered for this column.)*

## **Troop A**

Tpr. Z.K. Bryan, 1 arrest  
Tpr. J.M. Harrison, 1 arrest  
Cpl. R.B. McGinnis, 2 arrests  
Tpr. J.P. Millsap, 3 arrests  
Tpr. K.W. Murphy, 2 arrests  
Tpr. D.W. Pfeifer, 1 arrest  
Tpr. J.C. Utz, 2 arrests

## **Troop B**

Tpr. D.J. Berry, 1 arrest  
Tpr. G.R. Fenton, 1 arrest  
Tpr. B.C. Griffin, 1 arrest  
Sgt. E.L. Grissom, 1 arrest  
Sgt. T.R. Rohn, 1 arrest

## **Troop C**

Tpr. N.D. Bengston, 1 arrest  
Cpl. N.C. Benson, 1 arrest  
Tpr. C.M. Bishop, 1 arrest  
Tpr. P.J. Brown, 2 arrests  
Tpr. S.V. Buchheit, 1 arrest  
Sgt. J.R. Campbell, 2 arrests  
Tpr. T.S. Craig, 2 arrests  
Tpr. T.S. Croft, 2 arrests  
Tpr. N.V. Jannin, 1 arrest  
Tpr. P.C. Long, 1 arrest  
Tpr. R.A. Metteer, 1 arrest  
Tpr. J.D. Oughton, 2 arrests  
Tpr. E.D. Phillips, 1 arrest  
Tpr. C.P. Verdone, 2 arrests

## **Troop D**

Tpr. D.B. Carnagey, 1 arrest  
Cpl. S.W. Crouch, 1 arrest  
Tpr. J.D. Fugett, 1 arrest  
Sgt. M.K. Funderburk, 1 arrest  
Sgt. D.L. Kuechler, 1 arrest  
Tpr. J.C. Marlin, 1 arrest  
Tpr. J.L. Mason, 1 arrest  
Cpl. C.C. Meyer, 1 arrest  
Tpr. M.D. Murrill, 2 arrests  
Cpl. S.M. Patterson, 1 arrest  
Tpr. E.J. Walker, 1 arrest

## **Troop E**

Tpr. D.W. Crank, 4 arrests  
Tpr. R.R. Gibson, 1 arrest  
Tpr. C.D. Hamlett, 3 arrests  
Tpr. D.L. Johnston, 1 arrest  
Tpr. R.D. Owens, 2 arrests  
Tpr. B.A. Pratt, 2 arrests\*  
CVI I W.G. Simmons, 2 assists\*  
Tpr. L.E. Rawson, 1 arrest  
Sgt. R.J. Sanders, 2 arrests  
Tpr. S.M. Spain, 1 arrest  
Tpr. J.S. Stewart, 2 arrests

## **Troop F**

Sgt. J.L. Arnold, 1 arrest  
Tpr. S.A. Ballard, 1 arrest  
Tpr. B.R. Germann, 2 arrests  
Cpl. M.A. Halford, 1 arrest  
Tpr. M.T. Halford, 1 arrest  
Tpr. M.E. Morice, 2 arrests  
Tpr. P.D. Sublette, 1 arrest  
Tpr. D.K. Sullivan, 2 arrests  
Tpr. S.K. Talburt, 2 arrests  
Tpr. R.S. Thompson, 3 arrests  
Tpr. J.A. Veasman, 1 arrest

## **Troop G**

Tpr. R.D. Crewse, 4 arrests  
Tpr. S.N. Foster, 2 arrests  
Tpr. B.D. Odle, 1 arrest  
Tpr. D.B. Pounds, 2 arrests  
Sgt. J.D. Wheeler, 1 arrest

## **Troop H**

Sgt. L.M. Allen, 1 arrest  
Tpr. J.M. Cross, 1 arrest  
Tpr. J.C. Daly, 1 arrest  
Cpl. A.A. Henry, 1 arrest  
Tpr. B.R. Hilliard, 1 arrest  
Sgt. M.A. Wilhoit, 1 arrest

## **Troop I**

Tpr. C.A. Kimes, 1 arrest  
Tpr. J.T. Peart, 1 arrest

# Only Bravest Make Northeast Area Polar Bear Plunge

***By Sgt. Brent J. Bernhardt, Troop B***

On Saturday, February 13, 2010, the 5th Annual Northeast Area "Polar Bear Plunge" for Special Olympics was held at Forrest Lake in Thousand Hills State Park, in Kirksville, Missouri. This year's event, which was co-sponsored by Truman State University Police, Kirksville Police Department, Missouri State Highway Patrol's Troop B, and the Missouri State Conservation Department (Region 2) proved to be a true "polar" experience with temperatures reaching in the upper 20 degree mark. As a matter of fact, ice had to be broken to allow participants access to the frigid waters.

Approximately 170 "plungers", many adorned in costumes, braved the cold waters. Troop B employees who braved the frigid waters were: Trooper Trent J. Haley, Trooper Eric F. Brown, and Motor Vehicle Inspector III Larry F. Kuhn. The event raised \$29,071 to help with a mission of assisting over 500 special athletes in participating in year-round sporting events. Motor Vehicle Inspector Supervisor Michael P. Kelly, Troop B, and four other members of the Marceline Fire Department's Dive Team were on hand to break ice and to make sure all participants were safe during the event.



# Colonel Ron Replogle Takes The Helm

By **PIED**

In a quiet, respectful ceremony, Colonel Ron Replogle was sworn in on March 1, 2010, as Missouri State Highway Patrol superintendent by the Honorable Mary Rhodes Russell, Missouri Supreme Court. Gov. Jay Nixon appointed Col. Replogle as superintendent on February 8, 2010, following Col. James F. Keathley's announcement that he was retiring after 33 years with the Patrol. The Missouri Senate confirmed the appointment on February 18.

"Ron Replogle has all the skills necessary to lead the Missouri State Highway Patrol into the future—a proven record as an investigator, experience working with other law enforcement agencies across the state and a stellar history as a leader who can get things done," said Department of Public Safety Director John M. Britt. "He is the right person to follow in the steps of Jim Keathley and to continue to move the Patrol forward as one of the nation's premier law enforcement agencies. I look forward to working with Col. Replogle and his command staff."

The swearing-in ceremony took place in Col. Replogle's office. Colonel Replogle's wife, Cindy, and sons Adam and Chase, were joined by DPS Director John Britt, DPS Deputy Director/General Counsel Andrea Spillars, the Rev. Lowell Perkins from First Assembly of God in Jefferson



*The Honorable Mary Rhodes Russell, Missouri Supreme Court, administers the Oath of Office to Colonel Ron Replogle while his wife, Cindy, and two sons, Chase and Adam, look on.*

City, Major Tommy Roam, Missouri State Water Patrol, Sheriff Greg White and other members of the colonel's Monday morning devotional group, close friends Mr. Steve & Mrs. Brenda Wilkinson, and a number of Patrol staff members to serve as witnesses of this important occasion.

The oath of office for the Patrol's superintendent is much like that of trooper. Col. Replogle, who is a 26-year veteran of the Patrol, swore to uphold the U.S. and Missouri constitutions, and to faithfully demean himself

in the office of superintendent. As the Patrol's 21st superintendent, Col. Replogle is responsible for guiding the MSHP's 2,200 employees in their mission of serving and protecting the people of Missouri.



*(seated, l to r) Senator Carl Vogel and then Major Ron Replogle are joined by Mrs. Cindy Replogle after they spoke with the Missouri State Senate Gubernatorial Committee.*



*Those attending part or all of the confirmation hearing process with then Major Ron Replogle and his wife, Cindy, (center) were (l to r) Captain Tim McDonald, Q/Staff, DPS Director John M. Britt, Major J. Brett Johnson, Q/SSB, and Capt. David P. Perkins, now Q/TND.*



# AFIS Turns 20!!!

## Revolutionary Technology Continues To Advance Fingerprint Identification

By Public Info. Specialist III Cheryl D. Cobb, Q/PIED  
Senior CJIS Mgr. Carla J. Doll, Q/CJISD

In 1989, Colonel Howard J. Hoffman secured funding for new technology which would revolutionize fingerprint identification procedures. The Missouri Legislature's approval meant a benchmark team could begin the process of evaluating the top four automated systems for identifying fingerprints. Those serving on the benchmark team included ISD Director Robert Bradley (now retired), Tech. Support Mgr. Stan P. Heckman (Q/ISD, also retired), Lieutenant Melvin E. Duckworth (retired major), Michael Lynch (DPS representative), Captain Lawrence C. White (retired major), Laboratory Sprv. Don L. Lock (retired), Mr. Gerald L. Lovell (Q/ISD, retired data processing specialist), Lieutenant Robert D. Howard (retired captain), and Mr. Ron D. Moore (retired criminal records supervisor).

The team traveled several places before recommending the Patrol purchase the Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS) designed by Sagem Morpho (now MorphoTrak). The system, which is used statewide by law enforcement agencies, was accepted and then presented to the

*Today's technology provides a more enhanced comparison of fingerprints during the identification process.*

public on March 8, 1990. This year marks the 20th anniversary of the implementation of this technology at the Missouri State Highway Patrol.

"AFIS was a huge undertaking for the Patrol," said retired Major Larry White. "It took on a life of its own. None of us on the team had any knowledge of AFIS. But, groups from all over the world later came and looked at our benchmark plan."

To mark this anniversary, the Criminal Justice Information Systems Division hosted an open house on January 13, 2010. Many of the members of the benchmark team attended, as well as other key support figures.

"We've come a long way from looking through a magnifying glass to identify criminals," said then-Colonel James F. Keathley (now retired). He also thanked the benchmark team and the employees currently working in the AFIS area.

*This display showed the progression from the ink and roller method of fingerprinting people in the early years to the livescan computerized way of capturing fingerprints used today.*



"Their decision was a sound one. AFIS has proven itself continuously over the last 20 years. We are very fortunate to have it."

MorphoTrak CEO Daniel Vassy traveled from France for the event. "I am proud to be here. There is a phenomenal relationship between our company and your agency. As an early customer you helped our company. You helped to define what the system's next year's features should be. When we started, in 1983, we were in a garage trying to construct an image of minutia. We could not have seen where we would be today."

MorphoTrak has committed to updating the current AFIS display in the Patrol's Safety Education Center as part of the anniversary celebration. It is hoped the display will be completed summer 2010.

AFIS revolutionized the area of fingerprint identification. Twenty years ago, the Patrol employed seven fingerprint technicians, who received 400-500 fingerprint cards per day. This group processed approximately 80 cards per day.

Once AFIS was chosen, Patrol employees created bar codes and attached them to the 465,000 records,

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which then were boxed and shipped to Washington to be converted into an electronic format. The records were then shipped back to the Patrol and placed in archives. Once AFIS was installed, the room housing it was converted to include windows, so people could come view this technological wonder.

Upon the arrival of AFIS, approximately 400 fingerprint cards could be processed per day. Today's faster computers, and advanced communication technology allows the Patrol's Criminal Justice Information Systems Division to process 1,500 fingerprint cards per day. Today, the division includes 20 fingerprint technicians, offers 24-hour service, and includes eight remote AFIS sites at Missouri law enforcement agencies. The remote sites use LiveScan devices to create one set of prints which are transmitted. Historically, fingerprints were rolled onto three cards and mailed! In 2003, the AFIS and criminal history system interfaced, allowing for the electronic submission of arrest cards to the Federal Bureau of Investigation. This makes possible a "real time" update in the FBI records for use by the nation's law enforcement agencies.

Captain Timothy P. McGrail, Q/CJISD, hosted the event and provided current statistics. In 2009, there were 659 latent hits (identifications made from crime scene prints), and currently the system houses 2.4 million tenprints, 200,000 palmprints, and 60,000 latent prints. "Fingerprints can differentiate between twins," explained Capt. McGrail with a smile, "DNA can't."

Attendees of the open house enjoyed refreshments and reviewed numerous displays. MorphoTrak provided an updated video giving the history of fingerprinting from magnifying glass to a laptop with LiveScan ability. Another display showed what could be coming in the field of identification. Interesting cases and fingerprint cards adorned another display. Fingerprint cards for notorious criminals



*Ret. Latent Tech. Carma R. Wegman (center) tells a story about AFIS, which she saw develop throughout her entire career.*

such as Bonnie and Clyde joined that of James Earl Ray, who assassinated Martin Luther King Jr. Photos of the division showed how it has changed and grown.

Through the last 20 years, MorphoTrak has established a reputation for addressing customer needs regard-

ing identification. The Missouri State Highway Patrol CJIS Division has been right there beside MorphoTrak with ideas and suggestions in the ever-changing world of technology. Crime will never end, and the ways to solve crime will never end.

## Cook-off Fundraiser Raises Money For SOMO



Employees at the GHQ complex and the DDCC office raised approximately \$583 for Special Olympics Missouri through a chili cook-off. The winners were: Spicy category -- 1st place -- Fiscal and Budgetary Analyst III Janet L. Amsinger, BPD, and 2nd place -- Criminalist III Shawn M. Bailes, CLD; Mild category -- 1st place -- Captain Londell Jamerson, CVE, and 2nd place -- Juvenile & Missing Persons Liaison Heather J. Elder, DDCC. A big thank you to everyone who made chili, judged the chili, made desserts, worked the chili dinner, and of course all who patronized the chili dinner at GHQ or the DDCC office.



# New Employees



Laura M. Crandal  
Criminalist I  
Q/CLD



Lucinda L. Holdridge  
Account Clerk I  
Q/CJISD



Cassandra D. Kelley  
Quality Control Clerk II  
Q/TFD



Kellie L. Martin  
Criminalist I  
Q/CLD



Georgia J. Miller  
Clerk Typist III  
Troop C




Jodi L. Nichols  
DE I  
Troop F



Jeremy W. Rhoades  
CVI I  
Troop H



Elizabeth M. Roberts  
Criminalist I  
Q/CLD

 <b>TRAFFIC FATALITIES</b>				
<i>Year To Date April 1, 2010</i>	<i>Same Period Last Year Year To Date</i>	<i>Number Of Increase Or Decrease</i>	<i>2008 Traffic Fatalities</i>	<i>2009 Traffic Fatalities</i>
147	200	-53	960	879

**Note:** These totals do not include late deaths.



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## Picture Perfect

Members: When you're promoted, make sure you have a new portrait taken! Call Photographer Brenda Schmitz, Q/PIED, at 573-526-6277 for an appointment. Class A (long sleeves) and felt hat required. Captains and above also need a portrait in their blouse/white shirt and felt hat. Thanks!

## Looking Back ... in the Patrol News

### 40 years ago

*April 1970* -- A new Missouri State Highway Patrol ring was being designed. Cost was being estimated at \$38. Captain R.D. Nichols was overseeing the project. A feature told the story of Troop F.

### 35 years ago

*May 1975* -- During a safety presentation to second grade students, Sgt. J.M. Happy, Troop A, posed the question, "What does a highway patrolman do?" Most answers were expected ... "You give tickets to cars going too fast." "You shoot bad guys." "You help people in wrecks." But, one young man was eager to say, "He sits in his car between the highways and watches cars go by."

### 25 years ago

*April 1985* -- The Missouri Division of Highway Safety presented a new robot to the Patrol for use in its safety programs. Five local police officers were awarded Honorary Trooper Certificates for their assistance in the apprehension of Jerome Mallett. (Mallett killed Trooper James M. Froemsdorf on March 2, 1985.) A story told of the funeral for Trooper Jimmie E. Linegar, who died in the line of duty on April 15, 1985.

### 15 years ago

*May 1995* -- A picture with the Superintendent's Message showed Gov. Mel Carnahan signing House Bill 461, which provided members of the Patrol with "permanent" search and seizure authority. A story told how FLIR was used to capture two Alcoa escapees.

### 5 years ago

*March/April 2005* -- The Patrol mourned the loss of Sergeant Carl D. "Dewayne" Graham Jr, who was killed in the line of duty on March 20, 2005. Dewayne was the first of four troopers to die in the line of duty in 2005. Troop H investigated the grisly murder of Bobbie Jo Stinnett, whose daughter was taken from her womb and kidnapped. It was a story that gained national attention.

# Retirements

## Capt. Jerel A. Schomer



On March 1, 2010, Captain Jerel A. Schomer retired from the Missouri State Highway Patrol, after 29 years as a member. Capt. Schomer was the director of the Missouri State Highway Patrol's Training Division at the time of his retirement.

Capt. Schomer started his career in law enforcement with the Maryville Public Safety Department in 1973. He then joined the Raytown Police Department in 1979, before being appointed to the 54th Recruit Class on January 5, 1981. Capt. Schomer's first duty assignment was Troop H, Zone 5, St. Joseph, MO. He was promoted to corporal in 1990, and stayed in the same zone. In 1993, he transferred to the Governor's Security Division where he was later promoted to the rank of sergeant (1994). In 2000, he was promoted to lieutenant, and designated the director of the Governor's Security Division. In 2001, he transferred to the Human Resources Division, at General Headquarters. On January 1, 2009, he was promoted to captain and transferred to the Training Division.

Capt. Schomer was asked for the best piece of advice he was ever given in law enforcement. His response was, "We are average people doing a very difficult job," which came from Captain Ed Christman, former troop commander of Troop H.

When asked what his best assignment was during his career, Capt. Schomer responded, "I was assigned to provide security for Governor Carnahan during a trip to Israel."

The worst part of the job?

"In nearly 37 years of law enforcement, I still remember giving a death notification to a mother and father after their daughter had died in an automobile accident. Even with the training we provide our people, you are not prepared for that."

Friday, February 26, 2010, provided an opportunity for friends and family to salute Capt. Schomer's dedication to the protection and service of Missouri's citizens during his career. At his request, the affair was an opportunity to talk with friends and share some memories. The reception included two special requests of Capt. Schomer's -- chocolate chunk cookies baked by the Academy kitchen, and "the world's best cupcakes" provided by Spec. Asst. Tamie L. Quigley, Q/FOB. Major Hugh E. McKay, Q/ASB, served as host of the event, with both retiring Colonel James F. Keathley and incoming Colonel Ron Replogle making presentations. A "Friday morning coffee" group, who see each other at Panera's once a week, came with extra large sunglasses to make Capt. Schomer laugh. (Reference: His retirement flyer picture and the glasses he used to wear.) The group -- Capt. Dale A. Schmidt, Troop F; Capt. Timothy P. McGrail, CJISD; Capt. Ronald L. Walker, Q/FOB; Capt. Robert P. Stieffermann, Q/PSD; Captain Bradley W. Jones, Q/TFD; and Captain Kemp A. Shoun, Q/BPD -- accomplished its goal! Several classmates were on hand, as were other friends -- in particular those who ride bikes with Capt. Schomer.

Capt. Schomer and his wife, Mary, recently moved to Lee's Summit, and have two grown children: Ryan and Kristina. Captain Schomer is an avid bicyclist and golfer.

Enjoy your retirement, sir!

## Sgt. Michael W. "Mike" Rogers



Congratulations to Sergeant Michael W. "Mike" Rogers, who retired January 1, 2010, after 30 years of service and dedication to the citizens of Missouri.

Mike started his career with the Missouri State Highway Patrol on January 1, 1980. After completing recruit training, he was assigned to Troop A, Platte County. While assigned to Troop A, he was a member of the first Special Emergency Response Team (SERT) and participated in numerous activations and manhunts. In May 1987, Mike transferred to Troop D, Mt. Vernon, and worked in the zone covering Lawrence and Barry counties. While assigned to Troop D, he participated in the Troop D SERT on the sniper team.

In September 1989, he transferred to the Division of Drug and Crime Control and was assigned as a narcotics investigator in Troop D. He was promoted to corporal in August 1990, and to sergeant in June 1993. In January 1994, Mike transferred from the Troop D Narcotics Unit to the Troop D Criminal Investigations Unit where he served in several different capacities during his career with the Patrol. Mike served as the first officer-in-charge of the Ozarks Area Drug Task Force, presently referred to as the COMET Drug Task Force. He served

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as the Troop D Criminal Investigations Unit supervisor, participated in numerous task forces, including the Immigration Customs Enforcement Task Force; Drug Enforcement Administration Task Force; Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms Task Force; and the Missouri Rural Crimes Task Force.

As a member of the Division of Drug and Crime Control, Mike was involved in numerous high profile criminal investigations including elected officials, law enforcement officers, narcotics investigations, and special investigations. He participated in two capital punishment investigations and more recently assisted in recovering over \$1 million in stolen cattle and equipment while associated with the Rural Crimes Task Force.

Mike is married to Linda (Cozort), and they have two grown children, Emily Morris (and her husband, Ben) and Eric Rogers. He and Linda also have one granddaughter, Paige Morris. Mike and Linda have a cow/calf operation on a farm in Christian County and plan to spend more time with their family.

Troop D employees wish Mike and Linda all the best and good health in his retirement. He will be deeply missed.

## Auto. Tech. III Perry F. Oliver



On December 1, 2009, Automotive Technician III Perry F. Oliver retired

after 24 years of dedicated service to the Missouri State Highway Patrol.

Perry was born in Phoenix, AZ. He graduated from Savannah High School in 1972, and attended Missouri Western State University. He married Teresa (Wiedmer) Oliver and they have two children: Jennifer and Matthew.

Perry was hired in 1985, as an automotive technician at Troop H, St. Joseph, MO, where he worked his entire career.

Perry's greatest satisfaction from his job was knowing that the work he provided allowed the officers to assist the public in emergency situations in the best maintained vehicles around. Over the years "Perry's" garage at Troop H became a gathering spot for troopers and others. Many of the world's problems were discussed. Not all were solved, but at least most felt better after discussing them.

Congratulations, Perry, on your retirement! We will miss you.

## Clerk Typist III Brenda J. Morris



It is with tremendous gratitude for the 33 years of service that the Missouri State Highway Patrol announces the retirement of Clerk Typist III Brenda J. Morris on January 1, 2010. Brenda was born in Springfield, MO, and graduated from Pleasant Hope High School. She began her career with the Patrol in January of 1977 as a clerk typist. Troop D staff and employees wish Brenda the best throughout retirement, and commend her for her years of dedicated service.

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## Congratulations On Your Retirement!

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## Sandra S. Hale Clerk Typist III Troop A

*Retired February 1, 2010.  
18 1/2 years of dedicated service.*



## Special Olympics Hall Of Fame Inducts Biele

*By Special Olympics Missouri*

Retired Lieutenant Colonel Ralph G. Biele was inducted into the Special Olympics Missouri Hall of Fame on January 16, 2010. He was chosen to receive this incredible honor based on his dedication to Special Olympics Missouri and his accomplishments within the organization. As part of this honor, he was recognized by the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame in Springfield, MO, on January 31, 2010.

Ret. Lt. Col. Biele is the "godfather" of Missouri's Law Enforcement Torch Run (LETR). The Torch Run originally started in October 1984, under his direction. He raised \$4,381 that year. Since then, Missouri's Torch Run has grown to achieve international fame. In 1995, Missouri's LETR received the Greatest Percentage Increase in the World, and since 2004 Missouri's Torch Run has been a \$1 million program. We are currently ranked No. 7 in the world in terms of funds raised annually.

Ret. Lt. Col. Biele has served on the board of directors of SOMO for many of the past 20 years. He was involved in the search for the new executive director of Special Olympics in 1991, a position which has been occupied by Mark Musso since that time. Ret. Lt. Col. Biele was the driving force in implementing the board decision to restructure the organization in 1992, which was approved by the board and implemented in December 1994.

This year's other Hall of Fame inductee was Chet Hollingshead, of Sul-

livan, MO. Chet has the most unique story in all of Special Olympics Missouri. He is the only athlete who has won a medal on the national level, competed on the world stage, and then made the transition to the next level as a key volunteer and Unified Partner®. Chet represents everything Special Olympics hopes for in an athlete and

of the board, is responsible for reviewing all nominations and voting on no more than two inductees in each category. To be inducted, finalists must be named on 75% of the ballots.

Each inductee receives a specially designed Hall of Fame medal. A permanent display, housed in the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame

in Springfield, features the name of each year's Special Olympics Missouri Hall of Fame inductees.

This year's inductees have the unique privilege of being recognized during the same ceremony in which SOMO President & CEO Mark Musso was inducted into the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame. Mark is the first non-profit sports executive ever recognized by the organization. In his 18 years in leadership at SOMO, Mark has led the program to grow from just 5,000 athletes, five sports, and an annual budget of \$700,000, to more than 15,000 athletes, 21 sports, and an annual budget of \$5.2 million.

Special Olympics Missouri is a year-round program of sports training and athletic competition for children and adults with mental disabilities. Special Olympics provides people with mental disabilities continuing opportunities to develop fitness, demonstrate courage, and experience joy as they participate in the sharing of gifts and friendship with their fellow athletes, their family and friends, and communities across Missouri.

Congratulations to retired Lt. Col. Biele and Mr. Chet Hollingshead!



*Ret. Lt. Col. Ralph Biele (left) and Mr. Chet Hollingshead (right) were both inducted into the SOMO Hall of Fame. Pictured with them is Executive Director Mark Musso.*

is everything it could want from a volunteer.

To be considered for induction into the Hall of Fame, both athletes and volunteers must have participated in Special Olympics for at least 15 years; additionally, athletes must have earned a gold medal at a state-level event and been nominated as an Athlete of the Year. A voting committee, appointed by the SOMO chairperson

# Freezin' For A Reason ...

## Cpl. Halford Raises Money For SOMO

*By Cpl. Michael A. Halford, Troop F*

What follows is a rundown of my 30 hours on the Coca-Cola building:

- 0500 hrs – Alarm goes off and I proceed to get ready to spend 30 hours atop a building to raise money for Missouri Special Olympics.
- 0510 hrs – Get out of bed. I am pumped and proceed to put on my cold weather gear. (Later, I find out I don't really own COLD weather gear.)
- 0530 hrs – Arrive at Coca-Cola building and find out my other two comrades are not here yet. (Milking the warmth as much as they can.)
- 0600 hrs – Atop the building hanging out, thinking, "How COOL this is?" I'm wondering how many of my trooper buddies are going to come by and harass me.
- 0900 hrs – Spent the last three hours waving to those who honked or who were caught looking at us. Toes are getting cold and the COOL factor is now frozen.
- 1000 hrs – My mind starts playing games with me. I realize doing the Polar Bear Plunge involves less pain and you get to warm up sooner. Wishing I was at home.
- 1200 hrs – Lunch is delivered. It's a cold cut Subway sandwich ... Someone thinks they are funny. It was good, thank you.
- 1700 hrs – More waving and talking (yelling) to those who come by to donate money. Got lucky and witnessed a traffic crash ... I mean, I heard it, DID NOT see it. Realize I need another sweatshirt and call my wife. She didn't answer.



*Cpl. Michael A. Halford, Troop F, along with Captain John Wheeler, Cole County Sheriff's Department, and Sergeant Randy Werner, Jefferson City Police Department, are standing atop the Coca-Cola Billboard located along the Whitton Expressway (U.S. Highway 50) in Jefferson City. The trio were accepting donations for Special Olympics Missouri.*

- 1900 hrs – Finish up dinner. BBQ is never good in the cold. The dang Central Bank sign, which displays the temperature, is my enemy. Oh, it also changes between time and temperature 41 times in a minute.
- 2330 hrs – Spent the last three and a half hours hanging out, waving a bit, and talking (more yelling) with those who come by and donate money. Climb into the tent to go to bed.
- 0200 hrs – Urge to go to the bathroom hits and hits hard. I decide I can make it until morning.
- 0205 hrs – I look at my phone and realize it's 2 a.m., and I can't make it until morning. I have to get out of my warm (yeah, right) bed.
- 0210 hrs to 0545 hrs – Not sure what happened, either my brain froze or I fell asleep. Get up and notice the Central Bank

- sign reads 16 degrees. Coffee cup has a coffee ice cube in it.
- 0630 hrs – A Good Samaritan brings HOT coffee. Ah, Heaven!
- 0800 hrs – Rush hour begins--or, what we call it in Jefferson City. A lot of honking and waving taking place.
- 0930 hrs – Time stops for some reason--think the clock froze. The next couple hours creep by.
- 1100 hrs – Start packing up our gear and preparing to get off the roof. I realize I am not as cold now that I see the future: a HOT shower and climate controlled home.
- 1200 hrs – Off the roof ASAP.

I am happy so many of you came by or called. I do appreciate those who took the time to do that. To the major who called me: *I now have your cell phone number.* Thanks again, everyone, for helping a worthwhile cause.



# Deaths

## Clarence E. "Eugene" Thompson

Clarence E. "Eugene" Thompson, 80, died on Wednesday, January 13, 2010, at Samaritan Memorial Hospital in Macon, MO.

He was born on September 20, 1929, in Chariton County, MO, the son of Wallace and Mabel Harlan Thompson. He was united in marriage to Ruby F. Sanders on September 13, 1951, in Salisbury, MO. She preceded him in death.

Eugene served his country in the Army during the Korean War where he was a private first class and received a Purple Heart. He was a member of the Zion Lutheran Church in Macon. He was employed by the Missouri State Highway Patrol as a driver examiner, retiring in 1989, with the title of supervisor.

He was a carpenter at heart, leaving a legacy of furniture, frames, shelves, and squirrel feeders. Eugene enjoyed gardening and sharing his abundant produce with family and friends. He recently discovered a talent for canning tomato juice and dill pickles. He enjoyed his daily walks, taking long drives, and attending any event involving his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Eugene is survived by two daughters: Debra Keithley (and her husband, Mickey), of Macon, MO, and Sharon Cook (and her husband, Dave), of Macon, MO; one son: Jerry Thompson (and his wife, Lorie), of Brookfield, MO; six grandchildren: Adrian Patrick (and her husband, Shane), of Macon, MO, Lin Foulk (and her husband, Bernie), of Kalamazoo, MI, Deidre Ritter (and her husband, Brad), of Monroe City, MO, Stephanie Snipes (and her husband, Chris),

of Springfield, MO, Trent Cook, of Columbia, MO, and Savannah Thompson, of Brookfield, MO; three great-grandchildren: Collin and Jancin Patrick, and Hagan Ritter; one brother: George Thompson, of Monroe City, MO; one sister: Marjorie Dooley, of Salisbury, MO, and several nieces, nephews, and cousins. Eugene was preceded in death by his parents, wife, and one sister, Erlene Wienhaus.

Funeral services were held on Friday, January 15, 2010, at Zion Lutheran Church in Macon, MO. Burial with full military honors took place at Missouri Veterans Cemetery in Jacksonville. Memorials may be made to Macon County Rescue Squad or Zion Lutheran Church.

The Patrol family extends its sincerest sympathy to the Thompson family.

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## Jonathan P. "Jon" Blue



Jonathan P. "Jon" Blue, 48, of Monett, MO, died Sunday, January 17, 2010, at Barnes Jewish Hospital in St. Louis, MO. He was born August 30, 1961, to Paul H. and Bernice (Frost) Blue. He was united in marriage to Geneva J. Chew on June 6, 1989, in Springfield, MO.

Jon was a veteran of the U.S. Army. He was employed by the Mis-

souri State Highway Patrol on October 15, 1997. He worked as a motor vehicle inspector from that time until his death. He was a member of the First Christian Church of Monett. Jon was a devoted father and enjoyed volunteering his time to the Monett Band Booster Club, Habitat for Humanity, and Food for Thought.

Jon is survived by his parents; his wife; one loving son: Caleb John Blue, of Monett; the daughter of his heart: Sara Parker, of Aurora, MO; two sisters: Becky Forester (and her husband, John), of Springfield, MO, and Vicki Schreiner (and her husband, Joel), of Ankeny, Iowa; and one uncle: Floyd Blue (and his wife, Frieda).

A funeral service was held Thursday, January 21, 2010, at the First Christian Church in Monett, with Reverend Ron Stair and David Stotts officiating.

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# May

May 7



May 9



May 17



May 22



May 31



- Truman's birthday observed.
- Mother's Day
- Sgt. D.C. May died in 1999.
- Tpr. M.L. Newton died in 2003.
- Memorial Day

# Deaths

## Eugene D. "Gene" Hancock



Eugene D. "Gene" Hancock, 88, of Lake Wood, CO, died February 20, 2010, after a long illness. Gene was the son of the late Everett

& Dora (Caldwell) Hancock of Richland, MO. He was born December 21, 1921, north of Swedeborg, MO. He was a graduate of the Class of 1939, at Swedeborg High School.

Gene married Edna Marie Hendricks of Crocker, MO, on November 23, 1945. His beloved "Re" preceded him in death on March 11, 2003. He was also preceded in death by his parents, two sisters (Marie Boren, of Hawkeye, MO, and Bernice Newman, of Springfield, MO), one brother (Neil Hancock, of Lebanon, MO), and three nephews (James Boren, Dennis Hancock, and Barney Hancock).

Gene served in the U.S. Army for three years and three months in the European Theater during World War II. He joined the Missouri State Highway Patrol in 1946. Gene's first assign-

ment as a trooper was in Troop D, in Springfield, MO. He also served with Troop I, in Cuba, MO, and Troop F, in Jefferson City and Columbia, MO. Gene retired as a captain in 1981, after serving 35 years with the Patrol. He and his wife, Marie, moved back to Springfield in 1983.

Gene is survived by one son, William Eugene (Bill) Hancock, of Evergreen, CO, one grandson, Christopher Hancock, of Tampa, FL, and several nieces and nephews.

The Patrol family extends its sincerest condolences to the Hancock family.

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## PIs Now Under Licensing Requirement

A state law passed in 2007 requires private investigators to: 1) Submit to a background check; 2) Pass a licensing exam; 3) Meeting continuing education requirements; and, 4) Carry professional liability insurance.

The law requires licensing for private investigator agencies, some employees, and trainers, in addition to the individual investigators. The new licensing requirements are defined in Section 324.1100 through Section 324.1148 RSMo. The state's Board of Private Investigator Examiners has written regulations for enforcement, which can be found in 20 CSR 2234.

The Missouri Division of Professional Registration began approving license applications February 1, 2010. The regulations will, for the first time, bring testing, oversight, and accountability to the industry.

## Sympathy

*Our deepest sympathy goes to the following personnel who have lost a member of their family:*

Assistant Director Rhonda L. Czarnecki (Q/DE) - father-in-law  
Criminalist III Diane L. Higgins (Q/CLD) - father  
Comm. Oper. II Ila R. Duvall (A) - father, mother  
Bldg. & Grnds. Maint. II Dana R. Strohm (A) - mother  
Cpl. Brian D. Holcomb (Q/GD) - grandmother  
CDL Auditor Charmaine G. Johnson (D) - father  
CVI I Joshua D. Sharp (H) - grandmother-in-law  
Sgt. Kevin G. Haywood (H) - two aunts  
Ret. Cpl. Earl H. Lankau - father  
CDL Exam. Jerry F. Thornton (H) - sister  
Spec. Asst. Theresa M. Backes, (Q/HRD) - brother

Ret. Tpr. Mickey D. Mason - wife  
Lt. Mark S. Dochterman (Q/PSD) - father  
Tpr. Terry J. Adams (B) - grandfather  
Comm. Oper. II Jason D. Dake (I) - grandmother  
MVI Chief Karen S. Dawson (H) - mother  
Ret. Desig. Principle Asst. Eileen E. Luebbert - father  
Sgt. Sheldon A. Lyon (H) - father-in-law  
Ret. Cpl. Ed Kincaid - sister  
Info. Analyst II Karen C. Burge (Q/DDCC) - mother  
Comm. Oper. III Kathryn Y. Simpson (H) - brother-in-law  
CVO Sprv. II Danny F. Fox (G) - father

# Thank You ~

My family and I would like to express our sincere gratitude to everyone in the Patrol for the outpouring of condolences, cards, friendship, and expressions of concern during the recent loss of my dad, Alva Thurman. Thank you to the Aircraft Division, A&S Helicopters, and everyone who sent cards, donations, flowers, phone calls, and prayers. My family was deeply touched by each and every one.

To everyone that attended the service: Your kindness was overwhelming. Words can never express how grateful we are for your support and for keeping us in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. We are forever grateful to be part of the Patrol family and your kindness will always be remembered.

Also, my wife, Pam, and I want to thank you for your thoughts, cards, and sympathy during the recent loss of her father/my father-in-law. We have both lost our father within a few short weeks. Your expressions of concern have meant so much to both of us. Thank you once again.

Sincerely,  
Sgt. A. Ed Thurman & family  
Troop D

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I would like to thank everyone who made my retirement from the Patrol a special event for me. Thanks to everyone who attended my reception and party, and sent cards, gifts, and well wishes my way. A special thanks to Travis Williams, Corey Root, Brian Logan, and everyone else that was involved in planning and contributing to give me a great retirement party. I was honored by all the people, not only from Troop H, but from different troops and GHQ who showed up. It was great to see all of you.

Thanks again.  
Auto. Tech. III Perry F. Oliver  
retired

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I would like to thank everyone for all the cards, calls, and prayers upon the death of my mother, Dorothy Meurer. My father mentioned how great it was to see all the cards that came in and all of the Patrol employees who attended the visitation and funeral.

With my sincere gratitude,  
ACTE Christopher S. Crawford  
Troop I

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I want to thank everyone from the Patrol family for their prayers, donations, and cards after my sister, Betty Jo Berry passed away on January 24, 2010.

Your kindness meant a great deal to me and my family. Thanks again.

CDL Examiner Jerry Thornton  
Troop H

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Thank you to all who sent cards and letters on the occasion of my 80th birthday. I enjoyed hearing from you and remembering times past.

Ret. Criminalist Sprv. C. Frank  
Durham

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My family and I would like to express our appreciation for all the cards, prayers, and expressions of sympathy and kindness following the death of my father. Your thoughtfulness will always be remembered.

Ret. Princ. Desig. Asst. Eileen E. Luebbert

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I would like to thank my Patrol family for all your thoughts, prayers, flowers, plants, and kind words from emails and cards during the time of my father's passing. The support you gave me and my family truly was a blessing. Special thanks also for those who helped Tammy and me in our move af-

ter our rental home caught on fire. Your generosity has touched our hearts. God bless and thank you!

Lieutenant Mark S. Dochterman  
Q/PSD

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Thank you for everyone's cards, prayers, and thoughts during this difficult time. I also wanted to say thank you to all those who attended the visitation and funeral. I would like to specifically thank Captain [Robert L.] Powell for his kindness during this difficult time.

Ret. Cpl. Dewey E. Millsap

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On behalf of our families, my wife Christa and I would like to thank all of you for the many cards and prayers after the death of my father-in-law and during our daughter's surgery.

Sincerely,  
Sergeant Sheldon A. Lyon  
Troop H

## MSHP

"As a good example of how top management can set an agenda," says American television correspondent Charles Osgood, "business school professors sometimes point to John F. Kennedy's call in the early 1960s that America should put a man on the moon by the end of the decade."

"There were lots of problems that would have to be solved-technical, political, and money problems-but Kennedy didn't try to solve them all in advance. All he did was set a definite timetable. He left it to others to work out how it was going to be done."

It was done. Neil Armstrong took his "giant leap for mankind" before the decade was over. No matter what your industry, give your employees the leadership they need to get started-a goal and a timetable-and you have a good chance of obtaining your objective. Like reaching the moon, tell them what they're aiming for and when it's supposed to be done. Then, let them get to it.

— from Bits & Pieces On Leadership



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in the FUN!**

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Annual**

# Two-Person Scramble Golf Tournament

## Missouri State Highway Patrol Employees and Retirees

**Redfield Golf Course — Eugene, MO**  
**Monday, June 7, 2010**

LOCATION	SCHEDULE OF EVENTS	\$\$ FEES \$\$
Redfield Golf Course Eugene, MO	Check-in: 7 to 8 a.m. Tee Time: 9 a.m.	Entry Fee: \$60 per player \$120 per team
U.S. Highway 54 at Missouri Highway 17	Meal — Prizes awarded immedi- ately after the tournament.	Entry form and fee are due: May 28, 2010.
15 miles south of Jefferson City	<i>Optional Stroke Play Outing:</i> 1 p.m. June 6, 2010	<i>Entry Fee Includes:</i> greens fees, cart, meal, and prizes.
	• \$40 per player (includes cart; paid at Pro Shop)	
AREA MOTEL	PRACTICE ROUND	\$\$ PRIZES \$\$
Jefferson City, MO	<i>Call Pro Shop for tee times and prices.</i>	Hole-in-one, Hole Prizes, Longest Drive, Door Prizes, and more!
• Best Western (573) 635-4175	(573) 498-0110	<i>(Flight and prizes determined by number of team entries.)</i>
*Event group rate available*		

## Entry Form — 39th Annual MSHP Golf Tournament

**Entry form and fee are due: May 28, 2010.**

Golfer 1 \_\_\_\_\_ Troop \_\_\_\_\_ Retiree \_\_\_\_\_  
Golfer 2 \_\_\_\_\_ Troop \_\_\_\_\_ Retiree \_\_\_\_\_

**Please make checks payable to: MSHP Golf Tournament. Mail entry form and fee to  
Major Hugh McKay, 3008 Cottonstone Court, Jefferson City, MO 65109.**

Entry Fee: \$60 per player/\$120 per team.

Total Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

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# 2010 MOSTA Crappie Tournament

Saturday, May 8, 2010

7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Truman State Park Marina, Truman Lake, Warsaw, MO

(On Missouri Route UU North From Missouri Highway 7)

**Biggest Crappie Contest** — Winner awarded \$150 and trophy.

**ENTRY FEE** — \$70 PER BOAT ENTRY (Your entry fee of \$70 includes Biggest Crappie Contest.) Limit: Two Fishermen Per Boat. Tournament is open to all fishermen, as long as at least one team member in the boat is employed by a criminal justice agency in any capacity (includes retirees and active reserve members).

**FAMILY PIGNIG** will be held at the Truman State Park shelter house at 4:30 p.m. following the tournament.

**CAMPING & MOTEL FACILITIES ARE AVAILABLE.**

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6th	8%	* (\$280)
7th	7%	* (\$245)
8th	6%	* (\$210)
9th	5%	* (\$175)
10th	4%	* (\$140)

\*Payout is based on 100 boats being entered.